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SUBJECT: V-E DAY CELEBRATION AT SOVIET EMBASSY

1. SOVIET EMBASSY HERE MADE GESTURE TO SHARE CREDIT FOR VICTORY OVER HITLER WITH US AND OTHER WORLD WAR II ALLIES. AS POLITICAL COUNSELOR (WHO ATTENDED FOR AMBASSADOR HILL) WENT THROUGH RECEIVING LINE, HE INDICATED TO SOVIET AMBASSADOR THAT AMBASSADOR HILL COULD NOT ATTEND BUT THAT HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THE US EMBASSY WAS REPRESENTED AT THE SOVIET RECEPTION, "SINCE THIS WAS A VICTORY IN WHICH WE ALL SHARED". SOVIET AMB, IN FRONT OF ALL THOSE PRESENT IN RECEPTION HALL, IMMEDIATELY AGREED, AND SAID LOUDLY THAT IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE THAT AFTERNOON HE HAD STRESSED THAT WORLD WAR II VICTORY IN EUROPE HAD BEEN GAINED BY ALL THE ALLIES FIGHTING TOGETHER, ESPECIALLY BY THE PEOPLES OF THE SOVIET UNION AND US.

2. AS COUNSELOR WNT THROUGH RECEIVING LINE, ALL SOVIETS IN LINE, INCLUDING THE MILITARY ATTACHE, OFFERED CONGRATULATIONS TO US ON V-E DAY BEFORE REPEAT BEFORE COUNSELOR OFFERED CONGRATULATIONS TO USSR.

3. MAY 8 PRESS CONFIRMS THAT SOVIET AMB DID SHARE
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CREDIT WITH ALLIES IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE. HE QUOTED

AS SAYING: "ON THIS DATE, TOGETHER WITH ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE ANTI-HITLER COALITION, WE WILL CELEBRATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEFEAT OF NAZI FASCISM IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR." LATER IN PRESS CONFERENCE, HE DID SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT SOVIET UNION HAD MADE THE GREATEST SACRIFICE IN THE WAR, IN THE FORM OF 20 MILLION DEAD.

4. IN ADDITION TO POLITICAL COUNSELOR WAYNE S. SMITH, RECEPTION WAS ATTENDED BY MAJOR HERBERT C. HUSER, IN REPRESENTATION OF DEFENSE ATTACHE COL. SAMUEL STAPLETON AND COLONEL ROBERT W. TART, JR., IN REPRESENTATION OF GENERAL NORMAN SALISBURY, CHIEF OF MILGROUP.
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